GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
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Staff Shortage in SAI
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Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a shortage of staff in the Sports Authority of India, if so, the number of actual strength and sanctioned strength in various sports hostels, sports centres etc. across the country;
(b) whether the Government has taken any step to fulfil the posts lying vacant, if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS
(SHRI SARBANANDA SONOWAL)
(a) to (c): Yes, Madam. The details of actual strength vis-a-vis Staff Inspection Unit (SIU) assessed strength in SAI is as under:-
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Category
Staff Inspection Unit(SIU) assessed strength
Present working strength
Remarks
1
Group A
171
125
46 vacancies.
2
Group B
81
118
Nil vacancy. After 6th CPC, posts like Assistant, Sr. PA etc. have been converted from Group C to Group B category.
3
Group C
525
124 vacancies.
4
Group D
959
1360
Total
1736
1603</pre>
Since the lifting of ban (imposed in 1996) on direct recruitment, following recruitments have been made in SAI after 2009:-
? Recruitment to 41 Group-C posts (32 Junior Accountants & 09 LDCs) in the year 2012;
? Recruitment to 05 Group-A posts (Asstt. Directors) in the year 2012 ; and
? Recruitment to 15 Group-A posts (Jr. Scientific Officers) & 01 Group-C post (Library Asstt.) in the year 2015.
As far as strength of Coaches in Sports Authority of India are concerned, the position is as under:-
Sanctioned Strength − 1524
Actual strength − 1039
Vacancies - 485 (126 coaches have been employed on contractual basis against the vacant posts)
In order to fill vacancies, SAI has recruited Assistant Coaches on regular and contract basis as under:-
(i) During 2013-14, SAI had recruited 170 Assistant Coaches (entry grade) on regular basis.
(ii) SAI has recruited 90 Contract Coaches and 03 Para-Olympians on regular basis in 2015 and 03 Para-Olympians on regular basis in 2016 (January & February).
The number of coaches is not fixed discipline-wise. Since inclusion / discontinuation of sports discipline at various SAI Training Centres across the country is a continuous process which is reviewed periodically in view of the annual induction/weeding out of inmates/trainees based on identified parameters and rationalization of disciplines. Therefore, the discipline-wise and centre-wise requirement of coaches varies from time to time depending upon these factors.
Recruitment process for appointment of 150 Assistant Coaches is under active progress.
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